

CLAIMS

24. A process for regulating the porosity and printing properties of uncoated wood-containing paper, the process comprising using a sufficient quantity of colloidal PCC having a BET surface area of 10-100 m²/g as a filler to achieve a desired porosity of the paper.
25. A process according to claim 24 wherein the paper is SC paper, in particular SC-A paper, and wherein colloidal PCC is used in a quantity sufficient to achieve a porosity of at most 0.30 μm/Pas.
26. A process according to claim 24 wherein the paper is SC-B paper, and wherein colloidal PCC is used in a quantity sufficient to achieve a porosity of at most 0.60 μm/Pas.
27. A process according to claim 24 wherein the paper is newsprint, and wherein colloidal PCC is used in an amount sufficient to achieve a porosity of at most 20 μm/Pas.
28. A process according to claim 24 wherein the colloidal PCC has a BET surface area of 15-50 m²/g.
29. A process according to claim 28 wherein the colloidal PCC has a BET surface area of 20-30 m²/g.
30. A process according to claim 24 wherein colloidal PCC is incorporated into the paper in an amount of at least about 1% by weight based on the total weight of the paper.
31. A process according to claim 30 wherein colloidal PCC is incorporated into the paper in an amount of at least about 2% by weight based on the total weight of the paper.
32. Uncoated wood-containing paper containing colloidal PCC.
33. Paper according to claim 32 containing colloidal PCC having a BET surface area of 10-100 m²/g as a filler.

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~~33~~. Paper according to claim 33 comprising at least one further filler selected from the group consisting of non-colloidal PCC, kaolin, calcined kaolin, gypsum, chalk, ground marble, silicate-containing minerals, sulphate-containing minerals, oxide-containing minerals, carbonate-containing minerals, hydroxide-containing minerals, calcium sulfoaluminates, plastic particles and organic pigments.

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~~34~~. Paper according to claim 33 wherein the colloidal PCC has a BET surface area of 15-50 m²/g.

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43. A pigment mixture suitable for paper manufacture and comprising a combination of colloidal PCC having a BET surface area of 10-100 m²/g and non-colloidal PCC.

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44. A pigment mixture according to any of claims 42-43 wherein the colloidal PCC comprises aggregates/agglomerates having an equivalent spherical particle size in the range 0.1-5.0 μ m, wherein the aggregates/agglomerates consist of single crystals having 10 an equivalent spherical particle size of about 0.01-0.50 μ m.